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Re Application of: Miller et al.

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For: METHODS FOR PREDICTING THE
BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL AND PHYSICAL
PROPERTIES OF MOLECULES FROM THEIR
SPECTRAL PROPERTIES

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AMENDMENT

This responds to the Office action dated May 8, 2002. A three-month period for response was set, making a reply due by August 8, 2002. A request for a three-month extension of time (and the appropriate fee) is included with the response, making a reply due on or before November 8, 2002. Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows.

Please replace the paragraph appearing at page 33, lines 2-12 with the following paragraph.

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The estrogenic relative binding affinities (RBAs) of the 30 compounds were obtained from previous publications (Kuiper et al., *Endocrinology* 138:863-870, 1997; and Tong et al., *Endocrinology*, 138:4022-4025, 1997). Most of the ¹³C NMR spectrometric and EI mass spectrometric data were obtained from the Integrated Spectral Data Base System for Organic